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In re Application for Reissue of U.S. Patent No.: 6,289,635 B1

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For: **CONTINUOUS HANDICAP THRESHOLD ASSEMBLY WITH DUAL DAMS
AND SELECTIVELY POSITIONABLE SIDELIGHT CAP**

MAIL STOP REISSUE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This preliminary amendment is being concurrently filed with an application for reissue of U.S. Patent No. 6,289,635 B1. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please add the following new claim:

17. (New) A threshold assembly, for installation in a handicapped accessible entryway having spaced vertical jambs extending upwardly from an entryway floor, said threshold assembly being sized to be positioned on the floor of the entryway extending between the vertical jambs and being profiled for allowing wheelchair ingress and egress through the entryway, said threshold assembly comprising an elongated body having opposed ends, said elongated body being integrally formed to define an upwardly projecting and longitudinally extending threshold portion with an upper surface aligned with and underlying a closed door of the entryway, an exterior sill extending outwardly and sloping downwardly from said threshold portion to an exterior edge of said body, and an interior sill extending inwardly from said threshold portion to an interior edge of said body, said threshold portion projecting upwardly a predetermined distance from said interior and said exterior sills to form a first dam extending along the junction of said threshold portion and said exterior sill and a second dam extending along the junction of said threshold